Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—About three years ago.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Anthikad).*—Am I to understand that this allowance was given after the starting of the Music School?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—Long after the starting of the Music School.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Anthikad).*—May I know for what purpose this local allowance is given to the headmistress of Ernakulam?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—This was given in response to the population of the school. There are about 1000 students in the school. Her duties are more onerous than the other average headmistresses of the State.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Anthikad).*—May I know whether the Government make it a point to vary the allowances according to the number of students in the school?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—Considering the special circumstances of the case some duty allowance was given to the headmistress of the Ernakulam High School. The amount had nothing to do with the numbers.

Headmistresses—Girls' High Schools at Trichur and Ernakulam—special allowances.

77. Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Anthikad).*— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Headmistresses of Government Girls' High Schools at Trichur and Ernakulam are paid any special or other allowances;

(b) if so, the nature of the allowance;

(c) whether any of the other Headmistresses in the State are given such allowances ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—(a), (b) and (c). Vide answer to Question No. 76.

Sirkar High School—Pazhanji—working hours—change of.

78. Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty *(Pazhanji).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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